

REMARKS

Applicants have carefully reviewed the Office Action dated November 27, 2007, in which election of a single invention and a single species was requested in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §121. In response to the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Invention II and Species C as indicated in the Office Action, corresponding to claims 33, 35, 38 and 39. This election is made without traverse, except to the extent of the Examiner's assertion that no claim is currently generic.

In view of the requirement for restriction, claims 30-32, directed to a non-elected invention, have been cancelled. In canceling these claims, Applicants reserve the right to pursue these claims or claims of a similar scope in a divisional application.

Furthermore, claims 34, 36 and 37 have been withdrawn consequent the species election. Applicants assert that when a generic claim is subsequently found to be allowable, consideration of a reasonable number of additional species is proper. M.P.E.P. §809.02(c). Upon allowance of a generic claim, full consideration of all withdrawn claims to non-elected species embraced by the generic claim is respectfully requested.

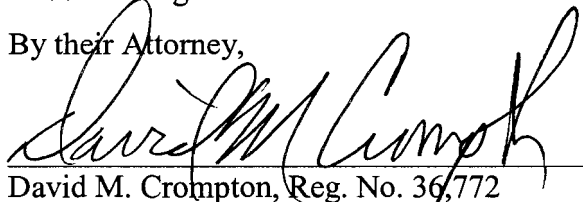
Newly added claims 40-48 are also directed to elected Invention II and Species C. Support for these claims may be found, for example, at line 14 of page 19 through line 19 of page 25. No new matter has been added with these claims.

Examination of the above-identified claims is respectfully requested. If a phone conference is believed necessary to resolve any outstanding issues with respect to the above discussion, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

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